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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology
SUBJECT: A-12 Deployment

1. This memorandum is for information only.
2. On 24 May 1967, deployment of the second A-12 to Kadena was completed as planned and without difficulty.

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25X1A 3. Project Pilot, [REDACTED], departed [REDACTED] in aircraft number 127 as scheduled, at 1740Z (1040 PDT). Shortly after takeoff, the OXCART vehicle successfully accomplished a top-off refueling in the local special operating area, checked out satisfactorily and continued on the deployment route. Entire route, including three enroute air refuelings accomplished without any apparent difficulty. The aircraft landed at Kadena at 2335Z (1935 EDT). The total time enroute was 5+55 for 6880 NM. The average ground speed for the entire flight from takeoff to landing was 1165 Kts or 1342 MPH. The average Mach for the entire flight, takeoff to landing and including all refuelings, was Mach 2.03.

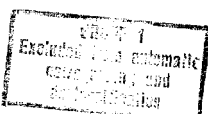
4. Post-mission landing reports indicate the pilot's physical and mental condition excellent. Enroute weather was as briefed or better, and all support actions were completed as scheduled.

5. The third A-12 will deploy as presently scheduled on 26 May 1967.

SIGNED

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Director of Special Activities

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